

# LYNCHBURG CITY COUNCIL

## Agenda Item Summary

MEETING DATE: **September 13, 2005**

AGENDA ITEM NO.: 10

CONSENT:

REGULAR: **X**

CLOSED SESSION:

(Confidential)

ACTION: **X**

INFORMATION:

ITEM TITLE: **Transportation Enhancement Grant- Riverside Park**

RECOMMENDATION: Conduct a public hearing and adopt a resolution in support of a Transportation Enhancement Grant (TEA-21) application for the master planning and improvement of Riverside Park.

SUMMARY: Parks and Recreation intends to submit an application for a Transportation Enhancement Grant (TEA-21) to assist with funding the master planning and improvements of the park. This grant application is supported by the work of the Lynchburg Historical Foundation, Lynchburg Kiwanis Club and Lynchburg Garden Club. The Lynchburg Historical Foundation is committed to preserving the packet boat, "Marshall". The Lynchburg Kiwanis Club is committed to the restoration and preservation of the train. The Lynchburg Garden Club is committed to the restoration of the gardens in the park. The grant will support a multifaceted project that includes: master planning of the park; restoration and preservation of transportation artifacts; construction of protective sheds for the train and packet boat; design and restoration of the historic gardens; restoration of the Alpine Trail; improving pedestrian access, and designing and signing a street connection between the James River Heritage Trail and Riverside Park.

The total estimated budget for the project is \$1,200,000. This grant requires a 20% match of \$240,000. The match is met by a combination of City funding, in-kind donations and fund raising efforts of the partnered groups. The proposed budget is as follows:

Architectural and Engineering	\$160,000
Utility relocation	140,000
Construction	<u>900,000</u>
Total	\$1,200,000

The 20% match of \$240,000 is met as follows:

City Capital funds (appropriated)	\$123,200
Lynchburg Historical Foundation	60,000
Lynchburg Kiwanis	36,800
Lynchburg Garden Club	<u>20,000</u>
Total	\$240,000

PRIOR ACTION(S):

none

FISCAL IMPACT:

Appropriated City Capital Funding: FY 2005 \$80,000 Riverside Park Train/Packet boat; FY 2006 \$43,200 Master Planning, Riverside Park

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ATTACHMENT(S): Resolution

REVIEWED BY: lkp

Resolution

WHEREAS, in accordance with Commonwealth Transportation Board construction allocation procedures, it is necessary that a request by resolution be received from the local government or state agency in order that the Virginia Department of Transportation program transportation enhancement project in the City of Lynchburg.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Lynchburg, requests the Commonwealth Transportation Board to establish a project for the improvement of Riverside Park.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Lynchburg hereby agrees to pay a minimum 20 percent of the total cost for the planning and design, right of way, and construction of this project, and that, if the City of Lynchburg subsequently elects to cancel this project the City of Lynchburg hereby agrees to reimburse the Virginia Department of Transportation for the total amount of costs expended by the Department through the date the Department is notified of such cancellation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That the City Manager is authorized to sign the necessary documents for this project.

Adopted:

Certified: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of Council

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